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March 25, 2004

LETTER OF DEFICIENCY #WSEB 04-039CERTIFIED MAIL #7000 0600 0023 9932 6498

Norman Harris, III Gilford Well Co., Inc. 1440 Lake Shore Road Gilford, NH 03249

Subject: Gilford - Public Water System: Gilford Village Water District (EPA #0881010)

Dear Mr. Harris:

The records of the Department of Environmental Services (DES) show that the Gilford Village Water District water system is classified as a public water system (PWS), as defined by RSA 485:1-a. A PWS is defined as any water system supplying 15 or more services, or 25 or more people, for 60 or more days per year. Pursuant to NH Admin. Rule Env-Ws 306, PWSs are subject to periodic inspections or sanitary surveys by DES staff. The purpose of the sanitary survey is to evaluate the adequacy of source(s), storage facilities, equipment, operation, and maintenance to produce and distribute safe drinking water. Pursuant to Env-Ws 360.10, a PWS owner is required to promptly repair and fully maintain the operational readiness of the water system.

On August 9, 2002, personnel from DES conducted a sanitary survey of the subject water system. The sanitary survey report, dated August 9, 2002, identified the deficiency(ies) found during the sanitary survey, requested that the deficiencies be promptly corrected, and requested that DES be notified when the corrections had been completed. DES has no record of the requested response to the sanitary survey report. As a result, a follow-up letter, dated February 5, 2004, was sent to you. The follow-up letter requested that you respond in writing, within 15 days, and either indicate that the deficiencies had already been corrected, or provide a copy of the completion schedule that you have established for correcting the deficiencies. To date, DES has not received any correspondence indicating that the deficiencies have been corrected, thus placing the water system in violation of Env-Ws 360.10 and the specific citation(s) noted below.

DES records indicate the following sanitary survey deficiency remains unresolved

Treatment Facilities: Env-Ws 306.01(d)(2)d.

At the time of the survey, the treatment facilities were noted as being inoperative or providing inadequate treatment. This water system needs to have the treatment facilities operating in order to meet Federal and State water quality standards.

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DES believes the deficiency can be corrected by taking the following action(s):

A. If the sanitary survey deficiency has <u>not</u> been corrected:

By April 26, 2004, correct the deficiency described above; and

2 **By May 3, 2004**, provide DES with documentation that the sanitary survey deficiency has been corrected.

B. If the sanitary survey deficiency <u>has already</u> been corrected:

1. **By April 2, 2004**, provide DES with documentation that the sanitary survey deficiency has been corrected.

In the event compliance is not achieved within these time periods, DES may take further enforcement action, including issuing an order requiring the deficiencies to be corrected, initiating an administrative fine proceeding, and/or referring the matter to the NH Department of Justice for imposition of appropriate penalties.

Please send all correspondence made in connection with this letter to DES as follows:

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Water Supply Engineering Bureau
29 Hazen Drive, PO Box 95
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Please contact Don Greenwood at (603) 271-3906 or by e-mail at dgreenwood@des.state.nh.us, if you have any questions regarding the noted deficiencies. If you have any questions concerning this letter or enforcement issues, please contact Anne Bailey at (603) 271-0672 or by email at abailey@des.state.nh.us.

Sincerely,

Rene Pelletier, P.G., Manager Land Resource Programs

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